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The references listed in the attached PTO Form 1449, copies of which are attached, may be material to examination of the above-identified patent application. Applicants submit these references in compliance with their duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 CFR §§ 1.56 and 1.97. The Examiner is requested to consider these references and to acknowledge such consideration by initialing the attached PTO Form 1449 at the appropriate locations.

References L-N are in the Japanese language. The relevance of References L-N may be ascertained by reviewing the corresponding English language abstracts (see References Q-S, respectively). In addition, a computer-generated English translation of Reference N is attached.

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